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
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PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. 108298679US1

First Inventor Sanh Dang Tang

Title DUAL-DAMASCENE BIT LINE STRUCTURES FOR  
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES AND METHODS OF FABRICATING  
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES

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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 32 ]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 20 ]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 2 ]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for a continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
- ii. ☐ paper
- c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATIONS PARTS**

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 C.F.R. §3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☐ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17. ☒ Other: Authorization for Extensions of Time  
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18. If a **CONTINUING APPLICATION**, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment,  
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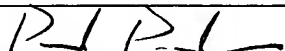
Prior application information: Examiner: Tuan N. Quach

of prior application No: 10/225,584 filed August 21, 2002  
Group / Art Unit: 2814For **CONTINUATION** or **DIVISIONAL APPS** only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied  
under Box 5b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference.  
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**FEE CALCULATION****1. BASIC FILING FEE**

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1002	340	2002	170			Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265			Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385			Reissue filing fee	
1205	160	2005	80			Provisional filing fee	

**SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 770****2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE**

Total Claims	19	-20** =	0	X	18	=	0
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1204	86	2204	43			** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9			** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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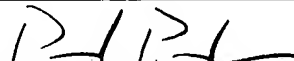
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1053	130	1053	130			Non-English Specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520			For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*			Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*			Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55			Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210			Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475			Extension for reply within third month	
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1401	330	2401	165			Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165			Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145			Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510			Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55			Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,330	2453	665			Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665			Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240			Design issue fee	
1503	640	2503	320			Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130			Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50			Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180			Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40			Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385			Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385			For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
1801	770	2801	385			Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
1802	900	1802	900			Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

IN RE APPLICATION OF: SANH DANG TANG  
FILED: CONCURRENTLY HEREWITH  
FOR: **DUAL-DAMASCENE BITLINE  
STRUCTURES FOR  
MICROELECTRONIC DEVICES  
AND METHODS OF FABRICATING  
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**Authorization for Extensions of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3)**

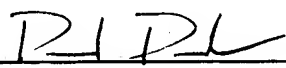
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With respect to the above-identified application, the Commissioner is authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply requiring a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a)(3) for its timely submission as incorporating a petition therefor for the appropriate length of time. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0665.

Respectfully submitted,  
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